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USER'S GUIDE

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Whenever possible, repack the backplane in the original Supermicro box, using the original packaging materials. If these are no longer available, be sure to pack the backplane in an anti-static bag and inside the box. Make sure that there is enough packaging material surrounding the backplane so that it does not become damaged during shipping.

This warranty only covers normal consumer use and does not cover damages incurred in shipping or from failure due to the alteration, misuse, abuse or improper maintenance of products.

During the warranty period, contact your distributor first for any product problems.

Chapter 1

Safety Guidelines

To avoid personal injury and property damage, carefully follow all the safety steps listed below when accessing your system or handling the components.

1-1 ESD Safety Guidelines

Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) can damage electronic components. To prevent damage to your system, it is important to handle it very carefully. The following measures are generally sufficient to protect your equipment from ESD.

- Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.

- Touch a grounded metal object before removing a component from the antistatic bag.

- Handle the backplane by its edges only; do not touch its components, peripheral chips, memory modules, or gold contacts.

- When handling chips or modules, avoid touching their pins.

- Put the card and peripherals back into their antistatic bags when not in use.

1-2 General Safety Guidelines

- Always disconnect power cables before installing or removing any components from the computer, including the backplane.

- Disconnect the power cable before installing or removing any cables from the backplane.

- Make sure that the backplane is securely and properly installed on the motherboard to prevent damage to the system due to power shortage.

1-3   An Important Note to Users

- All images and layouts shown in this user's guide are based upon the latest PCB revision available at the time of publishing. The card you have received may or may not look exactly the same as the graphics shown in this manual.

1-4   Introduction to the Backplanes

The BPN-NVMe3-136NB-L/NB-R/PL/PL-J backplane has been designed to utilize the most up-to-date technology available, providing your system with reliable, high-quality performance.

This manual reflects BPN-NVMe3-136NB-L/NB-R/PL/PL-J Revision 1.00, the most current release available at the time of publication. Always refer to the Supermicro Web site at www.supermicro.com for the latest updates, compatible parts, and supported configurations.

Chapter 2

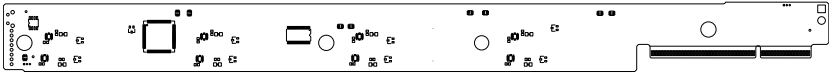# Connectors and Pin Definitions

2-1   Front Connectors

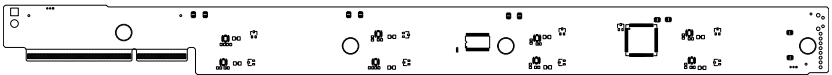

Figure 2-1. Front View of BPN-NVMe3-136NB-L

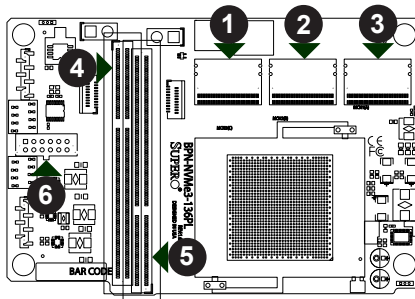**Figure 2-2. Front View of BPN-NVMe3-136NB-R**

Figure 2-3. Front Connectors of BPN-NVMe-136PL

1. Amphenol Connector C: MCN3.

2. Amphenol Connector B: MCN2.

3. Amphenol Connector A: MCN1.

4. PCIe Slot 1: MJ1.

5. PCIe Slot 2: MJ3.

6. Power Connector: MP1 (12-pin).

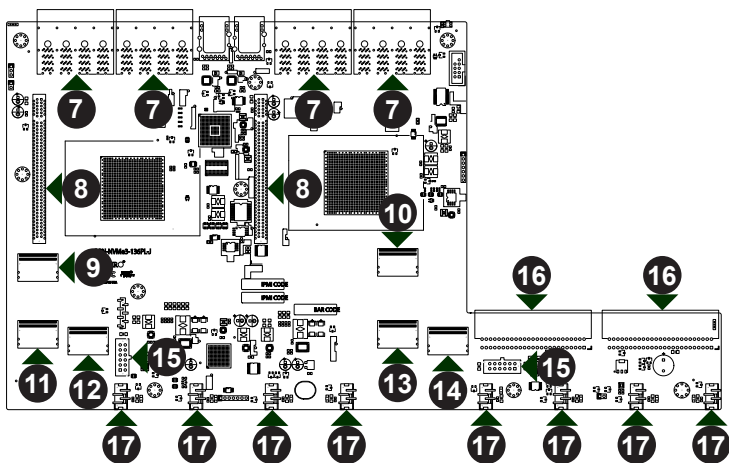**Figure 2-4. Front Connectors of BPN-NVMe-136PL-J**

7. zCD Connectors: J2, J1, J4, and J3.

8. PCIe Slots: JPCIE1 and JPCIE2.

9. Amphenol Connector B: MCN2.

10. Amphenol Connector B: MCN5.

11. Amphenol Connector A: MCN1.

12. Amphenol Connector C: MCN3.

13. Amphenol Connector A: MCN4.

14. Amphenol Connector C: MCN6.

15. Power Connectors: MP2 and MP1 (12-pin).

16. Power Connectors: PSU2 and PSU1.

17. Fan Connectors: FAN1, FAN2, FAN3, FAN4, FAN5, FAN6, FAN7, and FAN8.

2-2 Front Connector Pin Definitions

#1. - 3. and #9. - 14. Amphenol Connectors

The Amphenol ports are used to connect the Amphenol slim-line cables between BPN-NVMe-136PL and BPN-NVMe-136PL-J. They are designated MCN1, MCN2, and MCN3 for BPN-NVMe-136PL and MCN1, MCN2, MCN3, MCN4, MCN5, and MCN6 for BPN-NVMe-136PL-J. To connect two BPN-NVMe-136PL SSD trays to one BPN-NVMe-136PL-J JBOF/NVMF Controller, MCN1, MCN2, and MCN3 of the first BPN-NVMe-136PL should be linked to MCN1, MCN2, and MCN3 of BPN-NVMe-136PL-J, and MCN1, MCN2, and MCN3 of the second BPN-NVMe-136PL should be linked to MCN4, MCN5, and MCN6 of BPN-NVMe-136PL-J.

#4. - 5. and #8. PCIe Slots

The PCIe slots are designated MJ1 and MJ3 for BPN-NVMe-136PL, and JPCIE1 and JPCIE2 for BPN-NVMe-136PL-J. The slots of the BPN-NVMe-136PL are where the NVMe daughter cards are installed, with BPN-NVMe3-136NB-L connecting to MJ1 and BPN-NVMe3-136NB-R connecting to MJ3. JPCIE1 and JPCIE2 can each support an NVMe over Fabrics card.

#6. and #15. - 16. Backplane Main Power Connectors

The power connectors, designated MP1 for BPN-NVMe-136PL and MP1, MP2, PSU1, and PSU2 for BPN-NVMe-136PL-J, provide power to the backplanes. MP1 of BPN-NVMe-136PL connects to MP1 or MP2 of BPN-NVMe-136PL-J. See the table on the right for pin definitions for the 12-pin connectors.

Backplane Main Power 12-Pin Connector	
Pin#	Definition
1 - 6	Ground
7 - 12	+12VDC

#7. zCD Connectors

The zCD connectors, designated J1, J2, J3, and J4, connect to external hosts through zCD cables.

#17. Fan Connectors

These connectors, designated FAN1, FAN2, FAN3, FAN4, FAN5, FAN6, FAN7, and FAN8, provide power to the cooling fans.
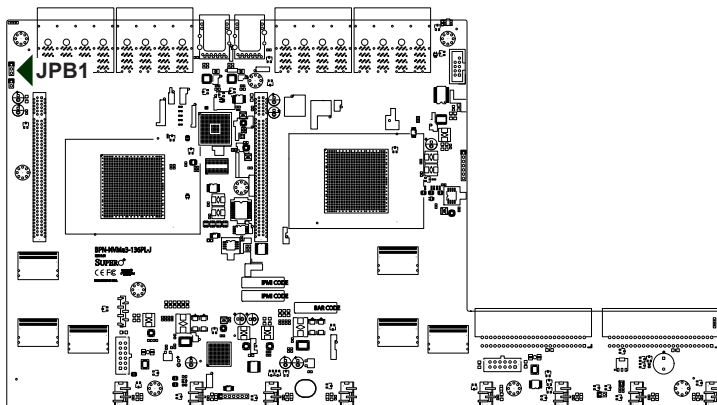
2-3　Front Jumper Locations and Pin Definitions

Figure 2-5. Front Jumper of BPN-NVMe-136PL-J

Explanation of Jumpers

To modify the operation of the backplane, jumpers can be used to choose between optional settings. Jumpers create shorts between two pins to change the function of the connector. Pin 1 is identified with a square solder pad on the printed circuit board.

Note: On two pin jumpers, "Closed" means the jumper is on and "Open" means the jumper is off the pins.
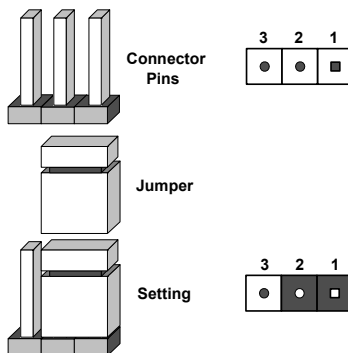
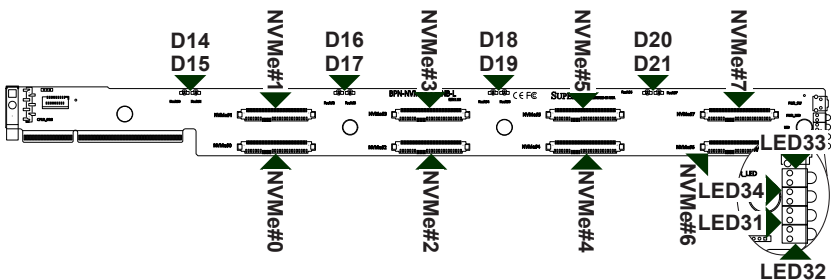| Jumper Settings		
Jumper	**Jumper Settings**	**Notes**
JPB1	1-2: BMC enabled 2-3: BMC disabled	BMC enabled is the default setting.

2-4 Rear Connectors and LED Indicators

Figure 2-6. Rear Connectors & LED Indicators of BPN-NVMe3-136NB-L

NVMe Connectors and LED Indicators		
Rear Connector	**Drive Number**	**Failure LED**
NVMe#0	NVMe HDD #0	D14
NVMe#1	NVMe HDD #1	D15
NVMe#2	NVMe HDD #2	D16
NVMe#3	NVMe HDD #3	D17
NVMe#4	NVMe HDD #4	D18
NVMe#5	NVMe HDD #5	D19
NVMe#6	NVMe HDD #6	D20
NVMe#7	NVMe HDD #7	D21

Other Rear LEDs		
LED	**State**	**Specification**
LED31	Blue	Activity LED: A drive is active.
LED32	Red	Drives status LED
LED33	On	Power LED: Backplane has power.
LED34	On	Unit ID LED: Backplane is selected.
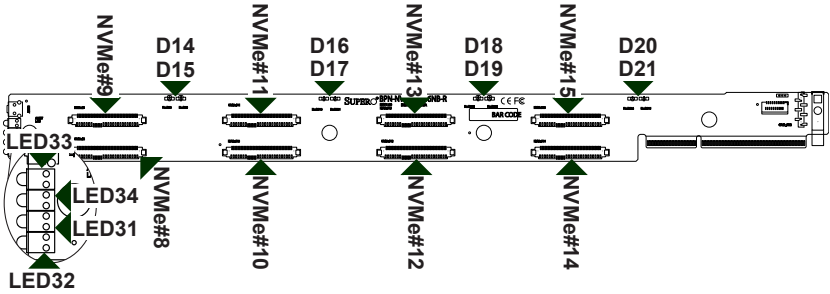
Figure 2-7. Rear Connectors & LED Indicators of BPN-NVMe3-136NB-R

NVMe Connectors and LED Indicators		
Rear Connector	**Drive Number**	**Failure LED**
NVMe#8	NVMe HDD #0	D14
NVMe#9	NVMe HDD #1	D15
NVMe#10	NVMe HDD #2	D16
NVMe#11	NVMe HDD #3	D17
NVMe#12	NVMe HDD #4	D18
NVMe#13	NVMe HDD #5	D19
NVMe#14	NVMe HDD #6	D20
NVMe#15	NVMe HDD #7	D21

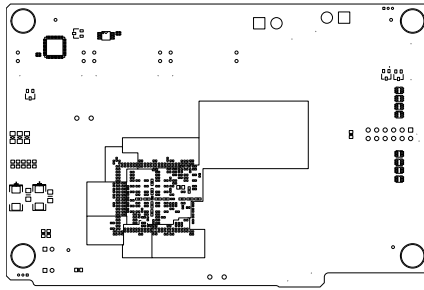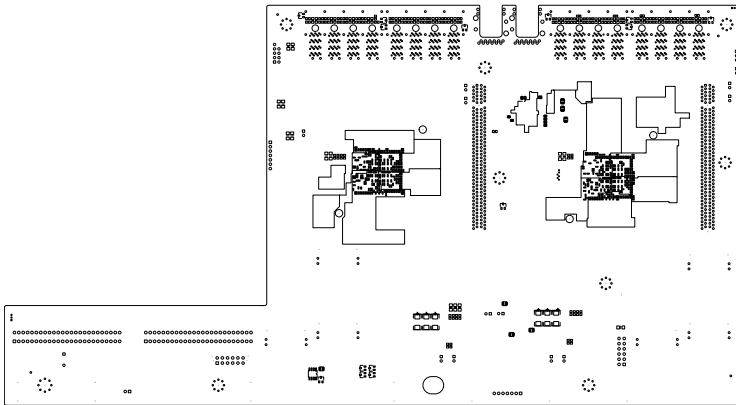| Other Rear LEDs		
LED	**State**	**Specification**
LED31	Blue	Activity LED: A drive is active.
LED32	Red	Drives status LED
LED33	On	Alert LED
LED34	On	LAN LED: Backplane is receiving a signal.

Figure 2-8. Rear View of BPN-NVMe-136PL

Figure 2-9. Rear View of BPN-NVMe-136PL-J

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